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Title: A METHOD AND A DEVICE FOR THE EVALUATION OF BIOPOLYMER

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculating the fee and conducting examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel, without prejudice to the subject matter involved, claims 1-84.

Please add the following new claims:

--85. A device for the detection of one or more molecules, molecular

complexes and/or molecular fragments, in particular in a dilution of $\leq 1 \mu m$, in small

